

LETTERS FROM TWO STATES.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

LEDYARD

Utility of Fertilizers Demonstrated—Highway to Be Improved—Meeting of School Officials Today.

Isaac B. Geer has been experimenting with chemicals furnished by a New York company on grass on one acre of ground. One-third of an acre without any fertilizer yielded 12 bunches, one-third of an acre with incomplete fertilizer yielded 16 bunches and one-third of an acre with complete fertilizer yielded 20 bunches. The one acre in question produced about two tons. Mr. Geer also has potatoes under cultivation with different chemicals.

Highway Commissioner's Visit.

State Road Commissioner J. H. MacDonald was in town on Friday and with First Selectman Luther C. Gray went over the town to ascertain in what place the state money for good roads, about \$7,000, voted at a special town meeting in 1907, should be expended. The commissioner visited four sections but decided to improve the roads at present in three different sections. The first section at Gales Ferry opposite Charles Brown's property; section No. 2, from a wooden bridge near Daniel Palmer's northward to the draw bridge school house, and section 3 between the Edinboro road and the Hiram Whipple place, and possibly some may be laid out on the Shewville road. His engineer will lay out the sections soon.

John M. Gray was in Providence on Tuesday. Miss Mildred Pierce of Allyn Point was the guest of Miss Florence Bennett.

Men have commenced work on the Congregational church. The decorators for the inside will try to have it finished before the Fall library dinner. Owing to the alterations there will be no more services for two weeks and the pastor, Rev. Mr. White, has gone on his vacation.

To Meet Under New Law.

There will be a meeting of the school visitors and all the district committees at the town clerk's office today (Saturday), August 7, at 2 p. m. These constitute the school board until the first Monday in October, when the new board will be elected. A special town meeting will be called in September by the selectmen to see what the number of school visitors should be to manage the schools for the coming year, to be voted at the annual town meeting whether there shall be three, six, or nine.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. John Chester and two children are visiting Mrs. M. Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Clark and son of North Stonington were guests on Sunday of Mrs. Clark's father, James N. Holdridge.

Mrs. Joseph Dean of New London is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gray.

Mrs. Russell Gallup and Mrs. Addie Gallup were guests of friends in Mystic Tuesday and Wednesday.

NORTH STONINGTON.

Congregational Sunday School Outing—Afternoon Tea—Literary Club Entertained—Mrs. William H. Coates' Death.

The Congregational Sunday school held its annual picnic Wednesday, going to Watch Hill and having an enjoyable outing.

The Third Baptist church ladies gave a 4 o'clock tea Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Gray.

The village literary club met by invitation with Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Hollister Friday afternoon.

Harold W. Drury of New York has been spending the week at the home of his father, Rev. Lucian Drury.

Mrs. Calvin O. Geer and her two children, Gladys and Henry, are the guests of Mrs. Fannie Stone.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. William H. Coates.

Mrs. Alice Little Coates, wife of William H. Coates, died at the summer home of the family, Contescotti, in this village, on the morning of July 28th. She had been in failing health for a year past. Burial was in Saginaw, Mich., the former home of Mrs. Coates. She was a woman of amiable disposition, fine attainments and pleasing manner. Besides her husband she is survived by two daughters, Misses Minnie L. and Helen S. Coates.

Song Service.

Rev. Lucian Drury will conduct a song service in the Third Baptist church Sunday evening. The service will read a paper, Gleanings from Hymnology, as a part of the exercises.

CLARK'S CORNERS.

Mill Running by Gasoline—Surfman Main on Duty at Fishers Island.

E. P. Lewis has been building a new flume for the felting company. At present the mill is run almost entirely by the power of the large gasoline engine.

Wilson D. Main has returned to Fishers Island, as surfman No. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bagley of Quinebaug were guests of Mrs. Bagley's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stoddard over Sunday.

Frank Palmer enjoyed a day's fishing at Yawgoog pond recently. He was accompanied by Maurice Perry and cousins, George and W. Perry. They caught several good sized bass and perch.

Horace Palmer and son Frank were fishing in Wyassup pond Wednesday. Frank Palmer caught two bass. Both weighed 4 3/4 pounds.

LEFFINGWELL.

Party to Savin Rock—Sunday School Picnic.

Misses Agnes, Virginia, and Edna Loughhead of New York, and Miss Margaret Langan of Jersey City, N. J., arrived at C. L. Palmer's Saturday to spend the month.

Misses Gertrude Ward and Eola Browning are spending a few weeks at Northford.

Rev. J. G. Ward is absent on a month's vacation.

C. M. Geishardt, Fred Palmer, Miss Alice Buckley and Mrs. Ruth Palmer spent Sunday at Savin Rock, New Haven, making the trip in Mr. Geishardt's automobile.

The First Baptist Sunday school picnic was held at Gardner Lake on Wednesday. About eighty were present and an enjoyable day was spent.

GLASGO.

Henry Jarvis of Glasgow caught a bass last Saturday in Pachaug pond which weighed four pounds and two ounces after being out of the water three hours. Peter Mitchell also caught two weighing three pounds apiece.

Mrs. Leona Carter Doyon, wife of Magloire Doyon, died July 31st. The funeral was held Monday morning at St. Ann's church, Rev. J. V. E. Belanger, the pastor, officiating at the requiem high mass. Mrs. Doyon was one of the largest congregations ever attending a funeral in Glasgow. Burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery.

The annual match ball for the world is more than \$150,000,000.

GALES FERRY

Social Activities Among the Cottagers—\$14 Netted from Recent Entertainment.

A laughable farce, No Men Wanted, was given by Miss Mabel Martin of Southford, Miss Evelyn Richards and Mrs. Charles Treat of Norwich at the Yale variety quarters Friday evening of last week. Interesting selections were given by Miss Harriet Treat, pianist of South Manchester, and music was enjoyed. The programme follows:

Piano and mandolin selections, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Voorhees; reading, Miss Harriet Treat; piano selection, Miss Mary Voorhees; farce, No Men Wanted; characters: Prunella Abercrombie, Mrs. Charles Treat; Isabella Granger, Miss Mabel Martin; Elizabeth Rawley, Miss Evelyn Richards; solo, Lullaby, Miss Marguerite Morse; reading, Miss Harriet Treat; solo, Miss Grace Chapman; reading, Mrs. Charles Treat and Miss Helen Thompson; piano and mandolin selections, Mr. and Mrs. Voorhees.

The sum of \$14 was raised as the result of the entertainment, which was given by the summer residents as a benefit for the Gales Ferry church. A sale of cake and ice cream was held at the close of the programme.

Start for Iowa.

Edmund Satterlee, who has been spending his vacation with his father, Jonathan Satterlee, left Monday evening for his home in Dunlap, Ga. Mr. Satterlee was accompanied by his cousin, Mrs. William H. Kenney of Montclair, N. J., who will visit her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Dwight Satterlee, of California, who are at present at Dunlap.

Engaged in Playground Work.

Mrs. Oliver C. Morse visited her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Morse, at White Plains, N. Y., last week. Miss Morse is engaged during the summer in playground work for crippled children at the Orthopaedic hospital.

Various Interests.

Miss Maud Chapman, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sarah Colver, at the Navy Yard, returned to Connecticut Saturday.

Miss J. A. Martin of Meriden spent Sunday with his family at their cottage, Leisure Hour.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Curtis and daughter, Faith, with their guests, Miss May Powders, Frederick Kedney, and John Bowden, who have spent part of the season at the Wigwam, returned to their homes in Norwich last week. Noyes Smith, who is employed by the T. A. Scott Co. of New London, returned to their home in Montclair, N. J., Friday evening.

Mrs. E. V. Gilroy of Mount Vernon, N. Y., who arrived last week to spend August at the Pines, is entertaining Mrs. William H. Kenney of Montclair, N. J., and Miss Freeman of Mount Vernon.

Mrs. E. V. Maine of Norwich is visiting her sister, Mrs. Franklin H. Brown.

Miss Ella Potter of Norwich was last week the guest of Mrs. James H. Martin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Frost, with their children and maids, who have spent the month at their new cottage, returned to their home in Montclair, N. J., Friday evening.

Service of Song.

The young people's choir conducted the song service at the meeting of the Epworth league, which was led by the pastor, assisted by Miss Florence Hurlbutt, Sunday evening. Miss Marguerite Morse sang Tell Me the Story of Jesus, with authentic accompaniment. Miss Morse also sang, Jesus Lover of My Soul, at the offertory at the morning service.

Home from Panama.

Civil Engineer Nathan J. Gibbs of Panama arrived last week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan A. Gibbs of Norwich, at their summer home in the village.

Mrs. Frederick Richards and her daughter, Miss Evelyn of Norwich, who have been visiting Mrs. Richards' sister, Mrs. Satterlee, returned to their home Saturday.

The first dance of the season was held last week at the Harvard boat house, at Red Top.

Miss Mabel Martin has been visiting friends in Northford. The Kelley family of Norwich, who have occupied Albert Potter's cottage on the bluff, have moved to the Wigwam. The Gritman family of New York arrived last week at the Potter cottage.

Mrs. Philip Carter of Groton called on relatives in the village Monday.

Miss Hattie Treat returned Monday with her father, Charles Treat, to spend a few days at their home in South Manchester.

The Enshaw family of Putnam, who occupied the Pioneer during July, have moved to the Swannanoa and the cottage has been taken by the Misses Sharpe of Putnam, who usually spend their vacation here.

MONTVILLE.

Mrs. Frank Wilcox and Mrs. Herman Miner of Westerly were guests Saturday of Deacon and Mrs. George Smith of Montville.

Mrs. Lyon and daughter, Miss Bertha Lyon, attended the funeral of a relative in New London Sunday.

Miss Draper of Worcester has been the guest of Mrs. A. Mitchell.

Rev. G. C. Chappell exchanged pulpits Sunday morning with Rev. H. T. Arnold, acting pastor of the Montville Center Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert P. Lawley and family of Norwich were the trip to the Center church in their automobile.

Mr. Dawley is a native of Ashford. The union meeting in the evening was helpfully conducted by Mrs. Allen Chapman. Topic, Life Lessons for Men from the Book of Acts.

GARDNER LAKE

Austin Lester of Norwich has returned home after several days' stay at Orin Gardner's.

Mrs. Jabez H. Bailey of Yantic recently called on local friends.

Mr. O'Mealy and daughter Ruth of Kingsbridge, N. Y., are at Mrs. A. P. Bolender's.

Mr. Burdick who recently purchased a home here, has been taken to the Backus hospital.

Mrs. McCall and Mrs. Hallisey of Norwich are occupying one of Mr. Phillips' cottages.

Maurice Sherman of Norwich is camping on Mr. Lathrop's shore.

NORTH LYME

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Strong and Mrs. William Sisson visited in Groton over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sisson, Jr. attended the Ocean beach day events in New London last week.

Miss Mary Stark of Chester has been visiting Miss Emily Stark.

A party of sixteen went on a sail to Middletown last Monday in a power boat. An enjoyable time was spent.

CENTER VOLUNTOWN.

Clark Barber of Oneco visited his brother, C. Barber, Sunday.

Miss Charles Pratt and Mrs. Charles Barber had a small picnic at the Bitgood schoolhouse July 30. There were ten children from Massachusetts, Exeter, R. I., Hopeville, Campbell Mills, and other places.

Mrs. Charles Barber and children and Mrs. Charles Barber and children and

Mrs. William Bitgood and Lizzie Fry. They had ice cream and cake.

Miss Ida Carey and a friend from Warren, R. I., are visiting with her sister, Mrs. Charles Pratt.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown were called to Westerly one day this week to attend the funeral of a grandchild.

LIBERTY HILL

Fellowship Meeting at Exeter Church on the 26th—Eliminating Crossing.

Mrs. Henry Clarke has as guests her brother, Herman Strong, and family, and Mr. F. A. Erplanck and son Philip have gone to the Maine woods for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. George Clark are entertaining Mrs. Clarke's aunt and cousin, Annie Rathbun and daughter Nellie, of Norwich.

Mrs. Harriet Colburn of Hampton is a guest of Mrs. Sarah Willis.

There will be a fellowship meeting at Exeter church Aug. 25th.

Mr. Hochberg has about thirty boarders from New York.

Twenty-five or thirty Italians are at work on the James crossing, where bridge is to be located, eliminating the grade crossing.

CENTRAL VILLAGE

Picnic Postponed—Oiled Streets Satisfactory—Briefs and Personals.

Miss Irene Dolan has been in Brookfield, Mass., caring for her mother, who was taken ill while visiting relatives there.

Mrs. William Wilcox and Miss Emily Wilcox of Norwich spent Friday at the home of Miss Wilcox's brother, James Wilcox.

The Ladies of the G. A. R. picnic, which was to have been held Tuesday at the home of Mr. Caleb Bishop in Packville, has been postponed indefinitely on account of the recent death of her grandson, Walter Bishop Phillips.

Miss Blanche Coon of Pennsylvania is visiting her sister, Mrs. August Holgerston.

Oscar Olson of New York is visiting his cousin, Howard Holgerston.

Mrs. Charles E. Ramsey is entertaining her Sunday school class of young ladies Friday afternoon. A dainty lunch was served.

Mrs. Albert Gagne and little son of Woonsocket are spending a week here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Robitaille.

Mrs. Jules Fortier and niece of Woonsocket, R. I., are spending a week here.

John L. Chapman is spending a short vacation in Brunswick, Me.

Streets Improved by Oiling.

The oil on the streets is proving a great blessing to local housekeepers and people who wish to sit on their lawns.

Edna R. Braag spent Saturday at Buttonwoods beach, R. I., with the Civic club boys, who are camping there this month.

A good game of ball was played on Daggett's ground, Saturday afternoon, when the Plainfield team beat the Centrals, 6-4.

Napoleon Beaudry took a trip to Providence Saturday.

Rev. Edward Stone preached Sunday at the Baptist church.

Mrs. Clinton Weaver and little daughter Jane of Maryland, who have been spending the past month at Edward H. Lillibridge's, left Wednesday to visit in Manchester before returning to their southern home.

Recent Accidents.

Charles, youngest son of Samuel Robitaille, fell from his bicycle, striking on his elbow, cutting a deep and long gash.

Stuart Ellsworth, while playing ball at Moosup Saturday afternoon, with the team from the Plainfield woolen mill, was struck on the end of his forefinger by the ball, putting the finger out of joint.

John F. Fournier and two sons left Wednesday for a pleasure trip to Canada.

Lucy Broadhead has returned after visiting friends in Providence.

Mr. Stephen A. Clarke has been entertaining her niece, Miss Rathbun of Canterbury.

Reynold Archer of Harrisville, R. I., formerly of this village, has been visiting the past three weeks here.

Her little son, William, returned from two weeks' vacation spent in Canada.

Mrs. Stephen Marcure of Webster, Mass., spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Burke.

Her little son, William, returned from a visit. Her brother, Edward Burke, returned to Webster with her.

The Sunday school picnic, which was to have been held at Killingly last week, has been postponed on account of the rain.

Walter Wright of Palmer, Mass., spent Sunday at Robert McFarland's. His wife and children, who have been spending the past three weeks here, returned to Palmer with him.

James McFarland of Whitesville, Mass., spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carey of Norwich spent Monday at Fitch a Carey's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gadbois spent Monday with relatives in Norwich.

Mrs. Elmer Johnson and Mrs. Robert Loring went to Worcester Monday, where Mr. Loring will receive medical treatment.

Mrs. Robert Loring has been entertaining her mother, Mrs. Allibar of Providence.

Frederick Brewster has been enjoying a summer trip to Westerly, Narragansett Pier and Point Judith, R. I.

P. Augustus Mathewson, superintendent of King Philip's mill in Fall River, Mass., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mathewson.

William Kyle of Pawtucket, R. I., spent Sunday with his family, who are spending a few weeks here.

Mr. and Mrs. Leabon spent Sunday at Ocean beach, where Rev. John H. Broderick entertained the members of the choir of the All Hallows' church, Moosup.

Lydia Spicer is spending the summer at her cottage on the William's camp ground.

Mrs. Everett Ladd is entertaining her mother, Mrs. House of Canterbury.

Also Mrs. Charles House and little son of Springfield, Mass.

WOODSTOCK

The Orpheus Male quartette of Boston gave a concert in the Congregational church Friday evening, with readings by Mrs. Hale Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kingsbury were in town early in the week. Rev. G. F. Waters returned to Hartford with them.

The family of F. J. Williamson of Hartford are at the Clark house, West Woodstock, for the month.

Mrs. W. J. Lindeman and son Walter spent Sunday in Oxford, Mass.

Miss Edith H. Hall held the Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

The Woodstock Gazette says: The Quail Trap people who have been at the Pavilion, Crystal lake, would have kept open house another week but for two out of town invitations.

HAMPTON

Edna Williams of Lebanon was the guest of Helen Holt Spaulding recently.

The Hampton A. C. played the North Windhams last Saturday. The score was 11-9 in favor of the visiting team.

Harry Harrington has returned to the Hub after having spent his vacation with W. H. Warden.

Joshua Hyde has returned after a brief visit with his mother in Duxbury, Mass.

Ethel Riley is visiting friends at Narragansett Pier.

The Chinese have astronomical records which go back to 2356 B. C.

CANTERBURY.

Miss Alice Baker met with a very severe accident at the Plainfield railroad crossing. Going between a train she collided with another train and was thrown from her carriage. No bones were broken.

Representative and Mrs. E. E. Bennett were in Norwich Saturday and visited their son, Arthur, at the Backus hospital, who a short time ago was operated upon for appendicitis.

Recent visitors at Gilbert Palmer's were Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon from Rockville, R. I., and Howard and Allen Gordon from Preston.

Dwight Towne is very feeble.

Dorothy and Grace Smith of New London are staying with their grandmother, Mrs. Martha Palmer.

Wedding Anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. George E. Smith.

There was a meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the town hall Tuesday afternoon. It was the twenty-second anniversary of the Rev. George E. Smith's wife. Ice cream, cake, etc., were served. A large company was present. In the evening about twenty-five of the young people met at the M. P. parsonage to celebrate the anniversary. There were singing and games. An envelope containing a sum of money was presented Mr. and Mrs. Smith, the presentation speech being made by Mr. Parkhurst.

There were forty-two at the Y. P. S. C. E. of the M. P. church Sunday night.

Several of the members of the Mite society went huckleberrying Wednesday, among them being the president, E. Smith. The picnic, 25 quarts and sold them, the money to be used for church purposes.

THOMPSON

Plans for Sunday School Outings—Enjoyable Entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Backus and children have been at Mr. Backus' home in Andover.

Mrs. Emergent Williams is spending a week at Falmouth.

The Baptist church will be closed August 6th. The pastor, Rev. C. Ramsey, expects to have his vacation next week.

Calvin Ballard of Derby, formerly of this place, is at Silver Bay, N. Y., this week.

Misses Edith and Grace Cruff have returned from the summer school at East Northfield, Mass.

Miss Elizabeth Eddy has been the guest of Mrs. John Chase at Webster Lake.

Misses Helen and Carrie Cranks entertained the Misses Cranks if Moosup on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris have been entertaining their son and his family from Springfield.

Rev. C. I. Ramsey is entertaining his mother and brother from Berwick, Me.

Misses Edith and Lena Smith are guests of their sister, Mrs. Frank Ramsey of Berwick, Me.

Mrs. Mary Arnold and Miss Blackman visited relatives in Dudley recently.

Mrs. Fentress and children of Chicago are guests of Mrs. Addeman.

Frank Whitley is entertaining his sister and her son of Springfield, Mass.

Charles Red of Fall River is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Burgess.

Edward Shaw of Providence came here on Monday night.

Miss Florence L. Green of the College Training house in New York has been spending her vacation with her father, F. D. Green.

The Grange holds its annual picnic and clambake at Bates Grove today (Saturday).

The Missionary society of the Congregational church met on Wednesday with Miss Dunning.

The Congregational church is to be closed August 6th and 7th.

The B. Y. P. U. meeting Sunday evening was led by Miss Elizabeth Eddy.

The Congregational Sunday school plans for a picnic at Bates Grove Aug. 10 and the Baptist Sunday school for Aug. 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Addeman of Providence have opened The Art and Orpheus Male quartette of Boston assisted by Mrs. Hale Jacobs, reader, gave an entertainment in the town hall Friday, Aug. 6.

Dr. A. B. Coates will occupy the Baptist pulpit Sunday morning, Aug. 8.

Mrs. Mary P. Arnold is spending a week with her son in Wethersfield.

WINDHAM

Campers at the Lake—Chapin Place Sold—New Books at Library.

Charles Lyman of Troy, N. Y., has been spending his vacation with his sister, Mrs. Ashley Anderson.

Mrs. Andrew Metzger has been at Fisher's Island for a few days.